



# **IMPORTANT INFORMATION** **FOR TRUCK AND BUS DRIVERS!**



## **Regarding California's Anti-Idling Regulations**

**DOES YOUR DIESEL TRUCK HAVE A GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT RATING GREATER THAN 10,000 POUNDS?** If yes, then the following applies to you.

**IDLING FOR MORE THAN 5 MINUTES IS PROHIBITED WITHIN CALIFORNIA'S BORDERS. AS OF JANUARY 1, 2008, THIS PROHIBITION ALSO APPLIES TO SLEEPER BERTH TRUCKS DURING PERIODS OF SLEEP AND REST.**

### **WHY IS THERE AN IDLING LIMIT?**

Unnecessary idling:

- Produces emissions that contribute to cancer, premature death, and other serious health problems.
- Wastes fuel and contributes to global warming.

### **WHAT ARE THE VIOLATION PENALTIES?**

Fines start at **\$300** and can be as much as **\$1000** per day. Violators may also face criminal charges.

### **IF I CAN'T IDLE, WHAT CAN I DO ABOUT CAB COMFORT?**

Here is a list of some available idle reduction technologies:

- Battery-Powered Auxiliary Power Systems
- Fuel-Fired Heaters (restrictions apply - visit [www.arb.ca.gov/noidle](http://www.arb.ca.gov/noidle) for details)
- Diesel-Fueled Auxiliary Power Systems (restrictions apply - visit [www.arb.ca.gov/noidle](http://www.arb.ca.gov/noidle) for details)
- Truck stop infrastructures that provide heating, cooling, electricity, and/or other services at various locations throughout California
- Visit [www.arb.ca.gov/cabcomfort](http://www.arb.ca.gov/cabcomfort) for information on these and other idle reduction technologies.

### **ARE THERE SITUATIONS WHEN IDLING IS ALLOWED?**

Yes, idling under the following situations is acceptable:

- You are stuck in traffic.
- When idling is necessary for inspecting or servicing your vehicle.
- You are operating a power take-off device.
- You cannot move because of adverse weather conditions or mechanical failure.
- You are queuing (must be beyond 100 feet from any residential area).
- Your truck's engine meets the optional NOx idling emission standard and your truck is located beyond 100 feet from any residential area.
- Please visit [www.arb.ca.gov/noidle](http://www.arb.ca.gov/noidle) for a complete list of exemptions.

### **ARE THERE RESTRICTIONS THAT APPLY TO IDLE REDUCTION TECHNOLOGIES?**

Yes, here are some restrictions that apply:

- You cannot operate a diesel-fueled auxiliary power system for more than 5 minutes if you are located within 100 ft of a residential area.
- If your truck has a 2007 or newer model year engine, your diesel-fueled auxiliary power system or fuel-fired heater must meet additional equipment requirements.
- Please visit [www.arb.ca.gov/noidle](http://www.arb.ca.gov/noidle) for more information.

### **DOES MY TRUCK NEED A NEW LABEL?**

A special hood label is required if:

- Your truck has a 2007 or newer model year engine and you operate an engine-based auxiliary power system within California, or
- Your truck's engine meets the optional NOx idling emission standard and you idle for more than 5 minutes within California.

### **WHERE CAN I GET MORE INFORMATION?**

- Contact the California Air Resources Board at 1-800-END-SMOG (1-800-363-7664)
- Visit Our Program Webpage at: [www.arb.ca.gov/noidle](http://www.arb.ca.gov/noidle).

Other laws, regulations, and restrictions may apply. Nothing in this fact sheet or in the referenced regulation sections allows idling in excess of other applicable laws, regulations, and restrictions.